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## (U) CALIFORNIA

# (U) Inland Empire – 28 arrested, 112 Catalytic Converters Seized in Illegal Car Parts Operation

(U) Authorities arrested 28 people and confiscated 112 catalytic converters in a sweeping investigation of an illegal car parts operation in the Inland Empire, San Bernardino County sheriff's officials said. Multiple law enforcement agencies participated in the investigation that included 64 different automotive repair shops and recycling facilities in Chino Hills, Chino, Upland, Montclair, Ontario, Fontana and unincorporated areas of San Bernardino County, officials said.

SOURCE: 10 June 2022, Los Angeles Times

#### (U) Livingston – Fuel Thieves Used Moving Van and Pumps to Steal 450-Gallons from Gas Station

(U) A moving van was used to steal over 450-gallons of fuel from a gas station, according to the Livingston Police Department. Officers received a report from a gas station claiming workers saw two suspicious vehicles in the business parking lot. Investigators say they discovered that the van was powering a pump inside the van that was siphoning fuel into large box containers, from the gas station's underground storage tanks. Armajit Singh, 36, Taijinder Singh, 37, and Ashley Say, 36, were all arrested in connection to the incident and booked on charges of grand theft, conspiracy, and possession of stolen property.

SOURCE: 10 June 2022, <u>Fox40</u>

# (U) San Jose – 65 Guns, Thousands-of-Rounds of Ammo Seized at Homicide Suspect's Home

(U) San Jose police seized dozens of guns and a cache ammunition from the home of Vu Thai, 38, who was already in custody for a fatal shooting in South San Jose on 4 June, according to the police department. Officers searched Thai's home and recovered more than 65 firearms, multiple high-capacity magazines, and thousands-of-rounds of ammunition. The guns seized include about two dozen illegal assault weapons; at least two so-called ghost guns, and two stolen guns. Thai remains in custody at the Santa Clara County Main Jail on the homicide charge and now faces multiple illegal weapons charges. SOURCE: 10 June 2022, KSBW8

# (U) NATIONAL

#### (U) District of Columbia – Governors Forming Task Force to Address Mass Shootings

(U) Washington – The leaders of the National Governors Association (NGA) said they are forming a bipartisan working group to come up with recommendations to stop mass shootings following the Texas school massacre. Republican Governor Asa Hutchinson of Arkansas, the group's chairman, and Democratic Governor Phil Murphy of New Jersey, the vice chair, told the White House in a letter that they will convene a group of six-to-ten governors, with a particular focus on making schools safe. SOURCE: 11 June 2022, CBS News

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## (U) District of Columbia - Facebook Allows Ten Strikes Before Removing Gun Sellers from Platform

(U) Washington – Facebook is allowing marketplace buyers and sellers to violate its ban on gun purchases ten times before they are kicked off the platform, according to a report from The Washington Post. The Post reported that Facebook's guidelines also include a five-strikes system for gun sellers and buyers who call for violence or voice support for a "known dangerous organization" before they lose Facebook access. Facebook reportedly banned the private sale of guns on its website more than five-years ago but has not publicly explained in much detail how the company enforces the ban. SOURCE: 10 June 2022, The Hill

## (U) Idaho – Patriot Front Members Charged with Planning Riot Near LGBTQ Pride Event

(U) Coeur d'Alene – Police in Idaho arrested 31 people who had face coverings, white-supremacist insignia, shields and an "operations plan" to riot near an LGBTQ Pride event. Police said they were affiliated with Patriot Front, a white-supremacist group whose founder, Thomas Ryan Rousseau, was among those arrested. Authorities received a tip about a "little army" loading into a U-Haul truck at a hotel, said Lee White, the police chief in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Local and state law enforcement pulled over the truck about ten-minutes later, White said at a news conference.

SOURCE: 12 June 2022, The Washington Post

(U) Maryland – Suspect in Factory Shooting That Killed Three and Injured Two Charged with Murder (U) Smithburg – Joe Louis Esquivel, 23, of West Virginia, has been charged with three counts of first-degree murder, three counts of second-degree murder, and 19 other counts in connection to the shooting at Columbia, Machine, Inc., a manufacturing facility specializing in concrete products, the Washington County Sheriff's Office announced. The investigation so far has revealed the suspect reported to work for his normal shift and worked through the day, at some point before 2:30 p.m., he "exited the building, retrieved a weapon from his vehicle, and reentered the business. The suspect proceeded to the area of the break room and began to fire upon employees."

SOURCE: 11 June 2022, USA Today

#### (U) INTERNATIONAL

#### (U) Canada – Explosive Threat Prompts Shelter-In-Place at Parliament Hill

(U) Ottawa – Ottawa police closed Parliament Hill after members of Parliament and senators were warned to "shelter in place" by the Parliamentary Protective Service. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) Integrated National Security Enforcement Team (INSET), the force's counterterrorism investigators, had been called but it had not officially been called a terrorism investigation. Later police said no public safety threat was identified and the area was reopened to the public after two vehicles were searched.

SOURCE: 11 June 2022, Global News

# (U) Germany – Students Overpower Suspect After Stabbing at University

(U) Hamm – Students overpowered a man suspected of stabbing several people at Hamm-Lippstadt University of Applied Sciences in the northwestern German city of Hamm, police said. Four people were injured in the incident, three women and one man, some of them seriously. A 34-year-old male suspect was detained. A spokesperson for the Dortmund Police Department said it was unclear if the suspect is affiliated with the university.

SOURCE: 10 June 2022, CNN

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## (U) Pakistan - Soldier Killed in Shootout with Militants

(U) Islamabad – A Pakistani soldier was killed during an exchange of fire with militants in the tribal district of North Waziristan near the Afghan border. The shootout took place in the Datta Khel area and security forces quickly started a search-and-clearance operation to locate militants who fled, the military said in a statement. No militant group immediately claimed responsibility. The militant Pakistani Taliban recently extended a cease-fire agreement and are holding talks with Pakistani authorities.

SOURCE: 12 June 2022, ABC News

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